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EXAMINER: Hai Vo

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:
Applicants acknowledge the Office Action dated May 22, 2002. In response, Applicants elect without traverse to prosecute the species of Group III, claims 39-81, and respectfully withdraw from current consideration unelected claims 1-38 without prejudice.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-38.

REMARKS

Applicants have elected to prosecute the group of species designated by the Examiner as Group III – claims 39-81. Applicant respectfully looks forward to the Examiner's substantive action on these claims

Conclusion

Applicants believe that they have fully responded to the Office Action. If the Examiner has any questions or comments, or otherwise feels it would be advantageous, he is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (713) 238-8043.

Respectfully submitted,


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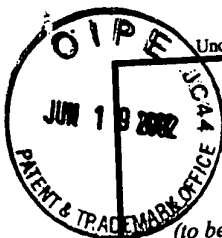
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